STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF FULTON CITY OF SOUTH FULTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-005

TO URGE THE GEORGIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO OPPOSE DE-ANNEXATION LEGISLATION TO CREATE NEW MUNICIPALITIES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALING INCONSISTENT RESOLUTIONS, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

(Sponsored by Councilmembers Gilyard, Rowell, Gumbs and Willis)

WHEREAS, the City of Stockbridge is a municipal corporation located within Henry County, Georgia duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia and is charged with providing public services to residents located within its corporate limits;

WHEREAS, under the Constitution and laws of the State of Georgia, the General Assembly may amend the corporate limits of any municipal corporation;

WHEREAS, legislation has been introduced in the Georgia General Assembly to de-annex portions of the City of Stockbridge in order to create a new municipality;

WHEREAS, neither the governing body of the City of Stockbridge nor the voters of the City of Stockbridge have consented to the introduction or passage of this legislation;

WHEREAS, the entire membership of the Georgia Municipal Association was unanimous in supporting the position in its 2018 Legislative Policies that portions of existing municipalities should not be de-annexed to create new municipalities unless consented to by the governing body of the existing municipality or the voters of the existing municipality; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City of South Fulton wishes to express its support for and solidarity with the City of Stockbridge in opposing the de-annexation legislation that has been introduced.

THEREFORE, IT IS NOW RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH FULTON GEORGIA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1 Opposition to De-Annexation Legislation to Create New Municipalities. – The Council of the City of South Fulton hereby urges the members of the Georgia General Assembly to oppose any de-annexation legislation that is inconsistent with the 2018 Legislative Policies adopted by the Georgia Municipal Association.

Section 2. **Approval of Execution** - The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents and to perform all other acts necessary to effectuate this Resolution on behalf of the City of South Fulton. The City Clerk is authorized to effectuate, attest to, and seal any document which may be necessary to effectuate this Resolution, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

Section 3. **Severability** – To the extent any portion of this Resolution is declare to be invalid, unenforceable, or non-binding, that shall not affect the remaining portions of this Resolution.

Section 4 **Delivery** – The City Clerk is hereby instructed to deliver a copy of this Resolution to all members of the General Assembly who serve in the Fulton County delegation.

The foregoing RESOLUTION No. **2018-005** adopted on **February 13, 2018** was offered by Councilmember **Gilyard,** who moved its approval. The motion was seconded by Councilmember **khalid,** and being put to a vote, the result was as follows:

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William "Bill" Edwards, Mayor		
Mark Baker, Mayor Pro Tem		
Catherine Foster Rowell, Mayor Pro Tem		
Carmalitha Lizandra Gumbs		
Helen Zenobia Willis		
Gertrude Naeema Gilyard		
Rosie Jackson		
khalid kamau		

THIS RESOLUTION adopted this day of February 2018. FULTON, GEORGIA.	CITY OF	SOUTH
WILLIAM "BILL" EDWARDS, MAYOR		
ATTEST: MARK MASSEY, CITY CLERK Item#: Res2018-005 Date: 2 / /3/ 2018		

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JOSH BEHNFANTE, INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY